

REMARKS

Claims 9 and 11-16 are pending in this application.

By this Amendment, claim 9 is amended to recite additional features disclosed in the specification at, for example, Fig. 1. Claim 12 is added to recite features deleted from claim 9. Claim 13 is added to recite additional features disclosed in the specification at, for example, Fig. 4.

Claim 14 is added to recite additional features disclosed in the specification at, for example, Fig. 8 and paragraphs [0048] - [0051]. Claims 15 and 16 are added to recite similar subject matter of claims 12 and 13, respectively. See the specification at, for example, Figs. 1 and 8.

No new matter is added. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 9 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 7,057,589 to Shin in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,534,809 to Watanabe. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 9 is amended to recite additional features, as outlined above. Shin and Watanabe do not disclose or suggest the subject matter recited in claim 9, as amended. For example, Shin and Watanabe do not disclose or suggest "the selection-signal input terminals and the image-signal input terminals being aligned along a corresponding edge of the substrate and being located between the matrix and the corresponding edge."

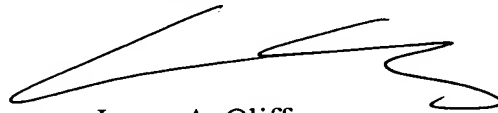
For at least the above reasons, the applied references do not disclose or render obvious the subject matter recited in claim 9, and claim 11 depending therefrom. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 9 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is respectfully requested.

New claims 12-16 are patentable over the applied references at least in view of the patentability of claim 9, from which they depend, as well as for additional features they recite.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 9 and 11-16 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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